

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BOGOTA 00865 271722Z

ACTION OES-06

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 ISO-00 HEW-04 COME-00 NSF-01 AGRE-00

EB-08 L-03 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-01

USIA-06 PRS-01 SP-02 SSO-00 INRE-00 /046 W

-----271727Z 070443 /47

O 271642Z JAN 77

FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9569

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BOGOTA 0865

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OCLR, TGEN, CO

SUBJ: ALPHA HELIX EXPEDITION-PHASE VII

REF: (A) BOGOTA 0700; (B) 76 BOGOTA 12620; (C) 76 STATE

304876

1. AS STATED IN PARA 5 OF REFTTEL (A), EMBASSY, AFTER REPEATED EFFORTS, WAS ABLE ON JAN 26 TO DISCUSS COLOMBIAN NOTE VERBALE RECEIVED JAN 21 WITH CLARA NIETO DE PONCE DE LEON, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL NOW RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING MATTERS RELATED TO FOREIGN SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITIONS.

2. ALTHOUGH SHE DESCRIBES HER ROLE OF COORDINATOR AS THAT OF A MESSENGER FOR THE COLOMBIAN INTERINSTITUTIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE, SHE WAS ABLE TO SHED SOME LIGHT ON POINTS IN COLOMBIAN NOTE VERBALE WHICH WERE UNCLEAR TO EMBASSY.

3. REGARDING FAILURE TO PROVIDE COMPLETE REPORT ON PHASE I, SRA. PONCE DE LEON SAID THE COMMITTEE FELT THERE HAD BEEN MORE THAN AMPLE TIME FOR U.S. TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE REQUIREMENT. SHE COULD NOT EXPLAIN REFERENCE
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BOGOTA 00865 271722Z

TO THE MAGNETIC TAPES. ON THIS LAST POINT EMBASSY IS CONCERNED THAT IF SUCH TAPES EXIST IN WHATEVER FORM, THE EXPLANATION THAT THERE WAS NO COMPUTER ON BOARD (AS STATED IN TELECON WITH DEPT ON JAN 26) WILL NOT SATISFY COLOMBIANS.

4. REFERENCES TO PHASE II, EXCEPT FOR REQUEST FOR

REPORT, APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN BASED ON MISUNDERSTANDING.

5. SRA PONCE DE LEON SAID THAT THE DETAILED INFORMATION OF THE WORK TO BE DONE IN PHASE VII WHICH HAD BEEN PROVIDED BY U.S. WAS "VERY SKIMPY" AND COMPLETELY UNSATISFACTORY. THIS INCLUDES REQUIREMENT FOR A DETAILED MAP OF THE PRECISE AREAS TO BE VISITED.

6. WITH REGARD TO THE KEY POINT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF RESOLUTION 626 BIS OF 1973, SRA. PONCE DE LEON SAID IT WAS HER UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD ARTICLE 3 SPECIFICALLY IN MIND. FURTHERMORE SHE BELIEVED THAT THIS APPLICATION REFERRED TO THE ENTIRE PHASE VII EXPEDITION AND NOT REPEAT NOT, JUST TO DR. SCHULTES PRESENCE. SHE ALSO SAID SHE THOUGHT THE AMOUNT INVOLVED WAS NEGOTIABLE. (ARTICLE 3 CALLS FOR 30 PER CENT OF THE AMOUNT BUDGETED FOR THE EXPEDITION).

7. AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION, SRA. PONCE DE LEON REEMPHASIZED THAT SHE WAS ONLY A MESSENGER AND SUGGESTED THAT THE BEST WAY TO CLARIFY THE COLOMBIAN POSITION WOULD BE THROUGH A MEETING BETWEEN THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERINSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE AND EMBASSY OFFICERS. (NOTE THAT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE INCLUDE DOCTORS LEYVA, PINTO AND SOTO). IT WAS AGREED TO MET IN SRA. PONCE DE LEON'S OFFICE AT 10:30, MONDAY, JAN 31.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 BOGOTA 00865 271722Z

8. EMBASSY WILL KEEP DEPT. INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. SANCHEZ

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ALPHA HELIX, OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 27-Jan-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977BOGOTA00865
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770030-0053
Format: TEL
From: BOGOTA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770114/aaaaalya.tel
Line Count: 99
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 50d038d0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION OES
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 BOGOTA 700, 76 BOGOTA 12620, 76 STATE 1
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 11-Jan-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3489760
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ALPHA HELIX EXPEDITION-PHASE VII
TAGS: OCLR, TGEN, CO
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/50d038d0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009